

January 28, 2021

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 2

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT.  
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following item is hereby received and filed:
- a. COMM. 2M-6 (2021)  
NFTA: “Board Minutes for Meeting Held on 10/22/2020”  
(Chair’s Ruling)
2. COMM. 2E-7 (2021)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, Erie County, through the Department of Environment and Planning, serves as the administrative agent for the Erie County/Town of West Seneca Community Development Consortium and Erie County/Town of West Seneca/Town of Hamburg HOME Investment Partnership Consortium; and

WHEREAS, a major responsibility of the Department as the administrative agent, is the preparation of the annual program application materials, and submittal of same to the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the Erie County Community Development Block Grant Consortium and HOME Consortium approved the 2021 Annual Action Plan at their session held on January 21, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive, on behalf of the Erie County Community Development Consortium and Town of Hamburg/Erie County HOME Consortium, is hereby authorized to submit this resolution to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as supportive material to the 2021 Annual Action Plan for the Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions, and HOME Investment Partnership Programs having estimated dollar amounts as indicated:

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| 1. Erie County Consortium Community Development Program: | \$3,170,812 |
| 2. Emergency Solutions Program:                          | \$ 239,450  |
| 3. HOME Investment Partnership Program:                  | \$ 940,446  |
| 4. Town of Hamburg Community Development Program:        | \$ 420,000  |

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive on behalf of the Erie County Community Development Consortium and Town of Hamburg/Erie County HOME Consortium is hereby authorized to submit and execute any and all applications and agreements with HUD, local governments, property owners receiving housing assistance, non-profit, and for-profit agencies, which are necessary to implement the above programs with the exception that any proposed agreement that transfers all or a portion of the administrative functions of the program from Erie County to a sub-recipient or contractual agency shall require approval from the Erie County Community Development Consortium and the Erie County Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning is hereby authorized to execute any and all HOME Agreements with property owners participating in County housing programs assisted with federal HOME Investment Partnership funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning is hereby authorized to execute any and all discharges of Erie County Note and Mortgages and/or Lien documents associated with any and all Erie County Housing Programs funded through the federal Community Development Block Grant and/or HOME Investment Partnership Programs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the County Executive; the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; the County Comptroller; the County Attorney; and the Director of the Division of Budget and Management.  
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3. COMM. 2E-11 (2021)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, the Erie County Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry is requesting authorization to grant the Eugene V. Debs Local Initiative to install a historical marker within the County's Shoreline Trail right-of-way at the former Bethlehem Steel property; and

WHEREAS, the location is on County-owned Shoreline Trail right-of-way along NYS Route 5 and former Bethlehem Steel property approximately parallel with Kane St in the City of Lackawanna; as depicted on Attachment A and Attachment B; and

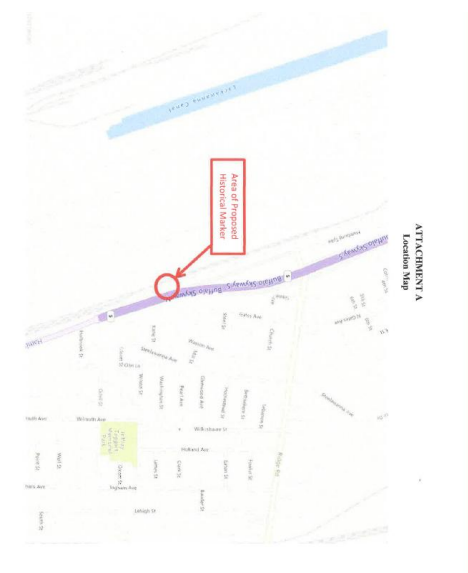
WHEREAS, the County's Land Advisory Review Committee ("ARC") has reviewed the request and recommended that the Installation of Historical Marker be granted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Erie does hereby grant to install a historical marker within the County's Shoreline Trail right-of-way; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive and/or Deputy County Executive is hereby authorized to execute any and all appropriate documents as may be necessary; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution are forwarded to the Erie County Executive's Office, the Department of Parks, Recreation & Forestry.



4. COMM. 2E-15 (2021)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, in 1999 Erie County entered into a license with Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a “National Grid” for usage of National Grid’s property located along Two Mile Creek Road in the City of Tonawanda and Town of Tonawanda to construct a multi-use trail known as the Two Mile Creek Greenway Trail; and  
  
WHEREAS, pursuant to the 1999 license agreement, in the event National Grid required usage of their property the County would be responsible for relocating the Two Mile Creek Greenway; and  
  
and  
  
WHEREAS, National Grid notified the County of the need to relocate the Two Mile Creek Trail;  
  
WHEREAS, National Grid constructed a new electrical substation on the location of a section of the existing Two Mile Creek Greenway Trail to service increased electrical needs in North Youngman Commerce Park and Riverview Solar Technology Park; and  
  
WHEREAS, the Two Mile Creek Greenway Trail is a critical connection between the population centers of the Town and City of Tonawanda and the waterfront trail network known as the Shoreline Trail; and  
  
WHEREAS, the County desires to maintain the Two Mile Creek Greenway Trail connection; and  
  
WHEREAS, through the scope of work associated with the Parks Master Plan update the County utilized Wendel Companies to prepare construction documents for the new location of the Two Mile Creek Greenway Trail; and  
  
WHEREAS, the original encumbrance from the Parks Master plan project has been expanded and closed, it is necessary to direct pay Wendel from the new capital account for the Trail reconstruction (A.19053); and  
  
WHEREAS, the construction activities of the NGRID’s new electrical substation changed the topography of the site, necessitating a new site survey and revisions to completed construction drawings.  
  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT  
  
RESOLVED, that the County Comptroller is authorized through direct pay from Capital Budget Account A.19053 to provide Wendel an amount not to exceed \$ 3,500.00 to conduct a topographical survey and revise its prepared construction drawings to reflect current site conditions after NGRID’s construction of a new substation facility allowing for construction of the County’s permanent greenway trail realignment as part of the Shoreline Trail System; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature be directed to send certified copies of this resolution to the County Executive; the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works; the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Planning; County Attorney and the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Forestry.  
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**HOWARD J. JOHNSON, JR.**  
**CHAIR**